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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

June 17, SALTIER, French ship, 233, M. Laroche, Haiphong 15th June, General—A. R. MARY.

June 17, FERO, German steamer, 764, P. Sorenson, Norewag 10th June, Beans—STERN & CO.

June 18, Koro Boro, British steamer, 892, R. Jones, Bangkok 12th June, General—YUEE TAY HOON.

June 18, CITY OF PEKING, American steamer, 5,079, H. C. Dearborn, San Francisco 22nd May, and Yokohama 12th June, General—P. M. S. CO.

June 18, DUBROV, German steamer, 921, C. A. Bertelsen, Singapore 11th June, General—BUN HIN CHAN.

June 18, J. H. BOWERS, American bark, 607, John A. Plum, Java 25th May, Sugar—ORDER.

June 18, ESMEERALDA, British steamer, 335, G. A. Taylor, Manila 15th June, General—RUSSELL & CO.

June 18, DAN LEE, Siam bark, 260, M. Martin, Bangkok 17th May, Rice—CHINESE.

June 18, HALOON, British steamer, 277, J. S. Roach, Tamsui 14th June, and Amoy 17th, General—DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.

June 18, IULIAN, British steamer, 881, Edwin Allison, Saigon 14th June, Rice—ARNOLD, KAMBERG & CO.

DEPARTURES.

June 18, NEMO, British ship, for Whampoa.

June 18, FUSION, Chinese ship, for Shanghai.

June 18, BILLY SIMON, British bark, for Bangkok.

June 18, MONGUT, British ship, for Swatow.

June 18, KHIVA, British ship, for Bombay.

PASSENGERS.

Per Kong Ben, str. from Bangkok—30 Chinese.

Per Saiter, str. from Haiphong—Messrs. Ch. Laurens, Delmas, Billoux, Hugry, 1 adult, and 17 Chinese.

Per City of Peking, str. from San Francisco, &c.—Mrs. J. E. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kramer, Mrs. H. C. Dearborn, Messrs. E. N. Dingley, J. E. Van A. Fleet, Tsang Hoi, Tsai Kook Ching, and 150 Chinese, and 150 Chinese.

Per Dubrov, str. from Singapore—330 Chinese.

Per Emerald, str. from Manila—Mr. and Mrs. Shams, Capt. Wright, Messrs. Williams and Dewar, 5 European deck, and 18 Chinese.

Per Mongut, str. for Swatow—Mr. Meyer, and 300 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The French steamer Saiter, from Haiphong 15th June, reports the weather throughout.

The British steamer Kong Ben, from Bangkok 12th June, reports that to S.W. winds with squalls to Pulo Obi; thence to port variable winds and fine weather.

The British steamer Emerald, from Manila 15th June, reports first part fresh to strong S.W. breeze with squalls to Pulo Obi; thence to port variable winds and fine weather.

VERSES EXPECTED AT HONGKONG.

General Brindley, Cardiff, Dec. 28.

Zouave, Cardiff, Dec. 28.

Importers, New York, Feb. 6.

Cosmo, New York, Feb. 6.

Alex. McNeil, New York, Feb. 6.

Patrol, New York, Feb. 6.

Stephan, Cardiff, Feb. 10.

Revolving Light, Cardiff, Mar. 11.

Benjamin, New York, Mar. 22.

Melaurin, New York, Mar. 22.

Compton, Glasgow, April 14.

T. F. Oakes, Cardiff, April 20.

Galatia, Cardiff, April 21.

John Taylor, New York, May 1.

Glenfruin, Glasgow, May 1.

Northern, London, May 1.

Glenfruin, London, May 1.

Lydia, London, May 1.

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NOTICE is hereby given that in conformity with the Conditions under which the DEBENTURES of the above Company were issued, the following Numbers of Debentures, the full of which are due on the 30th day of June instant, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were on the 4th day of June instant DRAWN at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., the General Agents of the Company, in the presence of the undersigned Notary.

THE NUMBERS OF DEBENTURES DRAWN ARE—

4	13	11	15	23	28	29
30	34	35	36	37	40	49
49	66	67	72	80	85	86
100	104	105	107	109	129	129
122	123	124	125	126	147	147
147	152	155	159	180	183	183
200	208	215	224	225	234	237
248	251	253	261	274	275	278
280	282	283	289	301	303	314
320	325	327	329	331	338	343
344	345	349	355	366	378	370
371	373	380	388	395	399	400
401	405	408	409	413	415	422
422	429	433	434	445	447	457
458	461	464	471	472	473	479
480	481	483	487	490	492	496
498	504	507	517	518	523	527
529	533	535	540	543	544	545
545	548	549	558	568	571	573
574	575	581	583	589	594	599

The above DEBENTURES will be paid at the Office of the undersigned GENERAL AGENTS on and after the 30th June instant.

FOR THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

VICTOR H. DEACON, Notary Public.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1886.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED on the 12th inst. to the 25th inst. both days inclusive.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN accordance with SPECIAL RESOLUTION No. 2, passed on 5th May, 1886, and confirmed by the Shareholders, the Balance of \$50 per Share on the 1,000 New Shares is payable at the HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY as follows:—2nd Call of \$25 on 30th June, 1886. 12 per Cent. Interest per Annum will be charged on all Calls unpaid on and after 30th June, 1886. SHAREHOLDERS will oblige by paying the Balance of the same time. THE TRANSFER BOOKS for New Shares will be CLOSED from 25th to 30th June, both days inclusive. HONGKONG, 1st June, 1886. By Order of the Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

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JOHN WALTER, Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 11th June, 1886.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 5; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositors may deposit more than \$250 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK is forwarded by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in Hongkong and China.

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Hongkong, 31st May, 1886.

INTIMATIONS.

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THIS Company will receive Steamers and Sailing Ships, and will store and warehouse goods at Kowloon, Land and Store GENERAL CARGOES, in FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS at 30 Cents per ton weight or measure, including SEVEN DAYS Free Storage.

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THE PIANOFORTE AND MUSIC WAREHOUSE, 14th May, 1886.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

CUSTOMERS are requested to make their CHECKS and/or ORDERS, Payable to the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

By Order, L. HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1886.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

J. B. WHITE & SONS, Sole Agents for China.

HOLLIDAY WISE & Co., Hongkong, 11th April, 1886.

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, THIS DAY, the 19th June, 1886, at 2 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, AN ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE WARE, Consisting of SATSUMA, KOTO, KAGA, and TOKYO VASES, JARS, BOWLS, PLATES, TEA AND COFFEES, ENAMELLED WARE, GOLD AND SILVER, INLAID BRONZES, PANELS, KAKEMONO, KIMONO, EMBROIDERED SCREENS, AND NITOLIS.

TERMS OF SALE.—As a Customary Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 18th June, 1886.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the 21st day of JUNE, 1886, at 4 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command, FREDERICK STEWART, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 22nd May, 1886.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Lot.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Area.	Remarks.
1.	Island No. 94.	200 yds. by 150 yds.	30,000 sq. yds.	Island No. 94.
2.	Island No. 95.	200 yds. by 150 yds.	30,000 sq. yds.	Island No. 95.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 24th June, 1886, at 2 P.M., at the Residence of S. M. SCUDDER, Esq., No. 49, Wyndham Street, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Consisting of:—

CRETONE COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, BLACKWOOD MARBLE TABLES, MIRRORS, PICTURES, CARPETS, EXTENSION DINING ROOM TABLE, SIDEBBOARD, WHATNOTS, CUTLERY, GLASS, CROCKERY, AND PLATED WARE, AND LAUREL AME, A FINE TRICHOID COTTAGEPIANO, by Kaps, quite new.

The above will be on View on THURSDAY MORNING NEXT, and Catalogues will be sent on application.

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Hongkong, 18th June, 1886.

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\$9.50 per case of 12 dozen quarts.

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\$5.00 per case of 12 dozen quarts.

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\$8.00 per case of 12 dozen bottles.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO EXO. S. S. CO. S. S. "ORBITER," FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 23rd inst. for shipment per steamer "ORBITER," BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 17th June, 1886.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "ORBITER."

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned, in both cases it will be at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 18th inst.

He looked so determined that the transducer, after vain attempts to disarm his assistant, saw no help for it but to comply. Having secured the effects and seen that there were no other in the room, he put them on his person, and then, with a look of defiance, he turned towards the door, keeping his weapon pointed at the possessor of the key. The door opened, and the Baron, before the effects could come to the rescue, he bolted down stairs and escaped. The transducer was immediately given to the police and detectives and telegraphed to all in all directions. Pilot took the express for Geneva, and on his arrival at the station there was at once arrested by the Swiss police. He now lies in jail, pending the fulfilment of extradition formalities.

DE LEBESSE AND THE PANAMA CANAL.
PARIS, 18th May. M. de LEBESSE, the delegate appointed by the Government to inspect the work on the Panama Canal, has presented a report, in which he denies the correctness of the Canal Company's statement respecting its facilities for construction, the time which the work will require, and the amount of money still required to accomplish the work. M. de LEBESSE, the Minister of Public Works, will inform M. de LEBESSE and his followers that they must rely on M. de LEBESSE's report, as the Government cannot accept the proposed issue of lottery bonds until the position of the company is made clear.

THE INFANT KING OF SPAIN.
MADRID, 16th May. The Pope has consented to be the godfather of Queen Christina's child.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.
DUBLIN, 14th May. A firm of manufacturers in the Province of Ulster has already commenced work on the transfer of its mills to Germany. It is stated that other Ulster firms are considering that of availability of remaining.

THE NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL.
The new Sunday School, with fifty-five followers, recently appeared in the vicinity of Jeddah, on the telegraph wires, and a devoted body of Turkish troops, killing and wounding many of the school, and capturing several of the teachers, whose heads were exposed on spikes at the gates of Jeddah.

General surprise has been caused by the location in the Reichs Archives of a decree for holding the holding of public meetings in Berlin and Potsdam and their environs without police authority and in the lower House of the Reichstag, in the month of June, 1886, a decree is proposed to hold the meeting. The decree is issued under the provisions of Article 28 of the Anti-Socialist Law.

At a meeting of Catholic Bishops at Trier it was decided that at the coming conference of Bishops at Friburg a paper should be prepared demanding the recall of the religious orders who were expelled from Prussia in 1806. The Bishops are confident that Prince Bismarck, in his anxiety to end the Kulturkampf, will grant further concessions, including the restoration of church schools. In the event of the restoration of the Ecclesiastical jurisdiction in the Prussian Diocese the majority of the 62 National Liberals, 27 Free Conservatives, and 19 Liberal Conservatives.

M. de Giers, Russian Foreign Minister, has announced his intention of visiting Prince Bismarck in August next.

The Government of Switzerland is taking active measures to put an end to the propagation of the doctrines of the Mormon Church. A number of Mormon missionaries have been expelled, and it is probable more will follow.

BERLIN, 19th May.
The ultra-orthodox Deputies have introduced in the Landtag a motion to grant to the Protestant Church in Germany the territories that have been obtained by the Prussian Church.

PARIS, 19th May.
Baron de Courcel, the French Ambassador at Berlin, has arrived here to confer with the Government on the subject of the relations between France and Germany. It is reported that these relations are at present strained.

CATANIA (Sicily), 21st May.
The eruption of Mount Etna has been increasing. The volcano is now about 1000 feet distant from the city, and the inhabitants on the slopes of the volcano, who are about 1000 in number, are being driven to the sea. Many dwellings were destroyed, but no lives were lost. Earthquakes are constantly occurring.

LONDON, 19th May.
Dispatches received from Cape Coast Castle, the capital of the Gold Coast, West Africa, say that a conflict is proceeding between the Houegouas and Adansas, two native tribes, and that in consequence the roads are blocked and all trade with the interior is temporarily stopped. The Houegouas are said to have killed forty-five German traders and killed them all, by most terrible tortures and mutilations.

LONDON, 20th May.
Later advice from Cape Coast Castle, West Africa, says that the conflict between the Houegouas and Adansas, two native tribes, has been growing to something like a million and a half of square miles and 200,000 of a population. To the above might be added such outlying spots as the islands of the Red Sea, the Red Sea, and Port Hamilton in Asiatic waters. Berbera on the North-East African coast and Socatra off it, the islands of Botumak, Auckland, Lord of the Pacific, not to mention the Nicobars and Andamans attached to India. The statesmen under whom this great and widely scattered empire was acquired and built up, never entertained a doubt as to the necessity of England if it was to maintain her position among the nations, taking this method of upholding her naval supremacy, of securing her influence in India, and of the globe, of finding outlets for her rapidly increasing population, and of keeping all rivals out of the field. It has only been in recent years that politicians, ignorant of the real causes which led to the growth of our Colonial Empire, have been misled by a false and ungenerous and impetuous as an expensive and unwise, and have actually advocated its being cut off to drift to sink or swim.

OUR COLONIAL ACQUISITIONS.
This unparalleled Empire began hesitatingly some 300 years ago under the reign of a great Queen, with a precarious footing on an area of 40,000 square miles and a population of 100,000. It culminated today with an area of 9,000,000 square miles and a population, including frontiers, of something like 270,000,000, one-fourth of the world's population, and one-sixth of its inhabitants, and that extending to the mother country. England was for three centuries a Roman colony, and an important and serious one, having, however, more analogy with India than with China. "British India," they were at last compelled to try in Rome, as the legions were recalled to the help of the falling Empire. And perchance Britain did, in a sense, but with a difference. It was not a vigorous and life, and began a career which might be said to reach its culmination now, only we hope, however, to take a fresh start, leading ultimately to even greater results.

THE WORK OF THE 16TH, 17TH, AND 18TH CENTURIES.
The Portuguese and Spaniards and even the French, were in the colonial field long before England. Spain had a settlement in Dominica as early as 1493, and Vasco da Gama reached India in 1498. Within very few years India and South America had a population of 100,000,000. In 1534 Jacques Cartier made his famous voyage up the St. Lawrence, taking possession of the country in the name of the French Sovereign. He was followed by Champlain, who discovered the rich and fertile Newfound land, and by other early Western navigators, simply regarded the New World as a barrier on the way to India. It was this latter

land of fabulous riches that was the goal of the infant naval enterprise of England for many years after Cabot's discovery. Up to the end of the 16th century, while Portugal and Spain were rapidly extending their sway in Asia and America, England had a doubtful position in Newfoundland with powerful French rivals. In 1580 the British flag was planted in the West India island of Tobago, but that island was rapidly occupied by the Dutch in 1633. In 1633, Montserrat, some 100 miles from the coast of Newfoundland, was planted in 1605, planted a cross in Barbados inscribed "James, King of England and of this island." There was no actual settlement till 1625. In Africa, we find that as early as 1582 Queen Elizabeth granted a patent to a company to trade to the Gambia, but no settlement was made there till 1618. St. Helena became a base by capture in 1633, and four years later, 1637, Jamaica, the largest and richest of our West India possessions, capitulated to an expedition sent out by Cromwell. At the end of the 17th century, besides Newfoundland and Barbados, and a few feeble settlements on the African coast and in India, of the present Colonial Empire we had possession, more or less stable, of Jamaica, Barbados, St. Christopher, St. Vincent, St. Lucia, St. Kitts, Nevis, Antigua, Anguilla, Virgin Islands, Bahamas, and St. Helena on the Atlantic. The total area of these did not much exceed 60,000 square miles, less than the area of India, and the population was little more than a million. Even the English and parts of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were not occupied by France, the total area could scarcely be more than 80,000 square miles.

THE EXTENSIONS OF THE 18TH CENTURY.
During the first half of the 18th century, the English Company's possessions and the Company's business were steadily extended. In 1701, 1702, and 1703, further additions were made to the English possessions on the North American coast. France claimed all Canada, only tolerating the station of the British in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and holding the Alleghenies as the western limit of English dominion. During the last 40 years of the 18th century, on the other hand, the broad foundation of England's Empire beyond the seas was laid. The great struggle between England and France for supremacy beyond Europe may be said to have begun simultaneously in India and Canada. On the latter field it resulted in the capitulation of Quebec in 1759, and the cession of Canada to England. The whole of Canada, so that England was virtually mistress of the whole of North America. And mistress she might, perhaps, remain, had it not been for the American Revolution. The fact that our trade with the United States is equal to the total of our colonial trade, leaving India out of account, and amounts to one-third of the total of our foreign trade, in the same year as Canada became an English possession, the islands of Dominica, Granada, St. Vincent, and Tobago were added to our West India possessions, followed in 1797 by the surrender of Trinidad. Although Commodore Byron took possession of the Falkland Islands in 1765, no effective establishment was formed there till 1833. In 1783-6 British Honduras was acquired by treaty, and in 1787 Sierra Leone was ceded by the native chiefs; while in 1793, not quite a century ago, the most promising foundation of the British Empire in the East was laid by the establishment of a small colony at Botany Bay. Turning to the East we find Malacca captured from the Dutch in 1795, though it did not finally become British till 1824. In 1800, a colony was founded in the Province of Wellesley. In 1805, more important was the capture of Ceylon from the same source supreme colonial power in 1802. The battle of Plassey was fought in 1757, and about half a century thereafter, through the genius of Clive and Hastings and Wellesley, English supremacy was virtually established, directly or indirectly, over the whole of India. Bengal was ceded in 1757, and in 1765 the British conquest of 1792-1800, having between them an area estimated at 200,000 square miles, and a population of 55 millions. Thus, then, during the latter half of the 18th century, we had succeeded in rapidly increasing our foreign possessions by something like 10 millions of square miles, reckoning the whole of Australia as virtually annexed. British India, as we have seen, had been able to increase this area by about half of its area, at least in India. While, during the last 86 years, we have been extending and confirming our hold over India, and while we have acquired one by one the most important of our colonial possessions, it will be seen that our chief work has been to develop and consolidate the acquisitions of the latter half of the 18th century. In 1800, the British Empire, which was finally annexed in 1802, and St. Helena, was thus, completing the present list of our possessions in that quarter. Also in 1803 the first settlement was established in Tasmania. Twenty-six years later West Australia was ceded, followed, seven years after, 1839, by the modest beginnings of South Australia at Port Phillip. In 1841 New Zealand began her wonderful growth. 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